## **CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU**

[Docket No. CFPB-2022-0054]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request** 

**AGENCY:** Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB or Bureau) requests the extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB's) approval of the existing information collection titled "Joint Standards and CFPB Standards for Assessing the Diversity Policies and Practices" approved under OMB Control Number 3170-0060.

**DATES**: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*] to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. In general, all comments received will become public records, including any personal information provided. Sensitive personal information, such as account numbers or Social Security numbers, should not be included.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Documentation prepared in support of this information collection request is available at *www.regulations.gov*. Requests for additional information should be directed to Anthony May, Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, at (202) 841-0544, or email: *CFPB\_PRA@cfpb.gov*. If you require this document in an alternative electronic format, please contact *CFPB\_Accessibility@cfpb.gov*. Please do not submit comments to these

email boxes.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* Joint Standards and CFPB Standards for Assessing the Diversity Policies and Practices.

OMB Control Number: 3170-0060.

Type of review: Revision of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Private sector: businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,250.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 9,375.

Abstract: Section 342 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (Dodd-Frank Act) required the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board), Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), and Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) (together, Agencies and separately, Agency) each to establish an Office of Minority and Women Inclusion (OMWI) to be responsible for all matters of the Agency relating to diversity in management, employment, and business activities. The Dodd-Frank Act also instructed each OMWI Director to develop standards for assessing the diversity policies and practices of entities regulated by the Agency. The Agencies worked together to develop joint standards (Joint Standards). On June 10, 2015, they jointly published in the *Federal Register* the "Final Interagency Policy Statement Establishing Joint Standards for Assessing the Diversity Policies and Practices of Entities Regulated by the Agencies." The Agencies will use the information provided to them to monitor progress and trends in the financial services industry regarding diversity and inclusion in employment and contracting activities as well as to identify and highlight those policies and practices that have been successful. The primary Federal financial regulator will share information with other Agencies (when appropriate) to support coordination of efforts and to

avoid duplication. The Agencies may publish information disclosed to them (such as best

practices) in any form that does not identify a particular entity or individual or disclose

confidential business information. Additionally, the CFPB is required to ensure that contractors

that do business with the CFPB are making a good faith effort to diversify their workforces. The

CFPB requires contractors to submit information related to their workforce and workplace

policies.

**Request for Comments:** The Bureau published a 60-day *Federal Register* notice on June 2,

2022 (87 FR 33473) under Docket Number: CFPB-2022-0034. The Bureau is soliciting

comments on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance

of the functions of the Bureau, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b)

The accuracy of the Bureau's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including

the validity of the methods and the assumptions used; (c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility,

and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Ways to minimize the burden of the

collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection

techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments submitted in response to this

notice will be submitted to OMB as part of its review of this request. All comments will become

a matter of public record.

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